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SUBJECT: DISARMAMENT MINISTER ALVA MYRDAL RETIRES

1. ALVA MYRDAL, DISARMAMENT MINISTER, ANNOUNCED SEPT. 27 HER RETIREMENT FROM CABINET THIS AUTUMN IN ORDER TO ACCEPT WITH HER HUSBAND, GUNNAR, ONE-YEAR APPOINTMENT AS RESEARCH PROFESSORS AT CENTER FOR STUDY OF DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS AT SANTA BARBARA, CALIF. APPOINTMENTS ARE EFFECTIVE OCT. 1, BUT MRS. MYRDAL WILL MAKE LAST APPEARANCE AS MEMBER OF GOS UNGA DELEGATION IN NEW YORK FIRST.

2. GUNNAR MYRDAL ANNOUNCED HIS RESIGNATION AS CHAIRMAN OF LATIN AMERICAN INSTITUTE HERE AND OF SWEDISH PEACE RESEARCH INSTITUTE (SIPRI). HE RETAINS HIS ASSOCIATION WITH INSTITUTE FOR INTERNATIONAL ECONOMY AT STOCKHOLM UNIVERSITY. HE ANNOUNCED HE WILL UNDERTAKE A NEW STUDY OF RACE RELATIONS IN U.S.

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3. ALVA MYRDAL WILL UNDERTAKE A STUDY OF DISARMAMENT

QUESTIONS AS HER FIRST PROJECT AFTER RETIREMENT FROM
40 YEARS' OF PUBLIC LIFE. PRIMIN'S OFFICE SAID NO
SUCCESSOR TO MRS. MYRDAL HAD BEEN CHOSEN. PRESS
SPECULATES THAT SOCDEM MP INGA THORSSON, FORMER AMBASSADOR
TO ISRAEL AND ANOTHER DETERMINED, COMPETENT AND
OPINIONATED SWEDISH LADY POLITICIAN, IS A FRONT RUNNER
TO SUCCEED MRS. MYRDAL.
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